

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-21 (Canceled).

Claim 22. (Currently Amended) A method for ~~the treatment of~~ treating atrophy or aging of the skin in women, comprising:

administering to a female subject in need thereof, a topical skin preparation comprising a ~~testosterone~~ testosterone ester of an acid having between six to eleven carbon atoms, provided that the topical skin preparation does not comprise estrogen or estrogen derivatives ~~derivatives~~.

Claim 23 (Currently Amended) The method according to claim ~~[[1]]~~ 22, wherein the testosterone ester is testosterone phenyl propionate.

Claim 24. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim ~~[[2]]~~ 23, wherein the testosterone phenyl propionate is present in a concentration of from 0.1~~[[-]]~~ to 3% by weight of the total preparation.

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Claim 25 (Currently Amended) The method according to claim [[1]] 22, wherein the topical skin preparation is in the form of an oil solution which comprises an oil.

Claim 26 (Currently Amended) The method according to claim [[6]] 25, wherein the oil is a medium chain triglyceride.

Claim 27 (New) The method according to claim 22, wherein the testosterone phenyl propionate is present in a concentration of from 0.1 to 1% by weight of the total preparation.